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TO BUILD INTERNATIONAL HIGHWAYS, IMPROVE OLD ROADS

WILL COMPLETE TRIESTE-AUSTRIAN BORDER HIGHWAY -- Trieste, Gospodarstvo, 17 Mar 51

Yugoslavia intends to complete an international highway between the border of the Yugoslav Zone of Trieste, Ljubljana, Maribor, and the Yugoslav-Austrian border (Spielfeld). Thus a new highway will connect Trieste and Vienna. The Trieste-Postojna and the Vrhnika-Ljubljana sections have been completed, while the Postojna-Vrhnika section remains to be completed. The Ljubljana-Moravce section, which is about 25 kilometers long, also has been completed. A highway exists between Celje, Maribor, and the Yugoslav-Austrian border. The section from the Austrian border to Vienna is asphalted.

According to the plans drawn up in Geneva, a 500-kilometer-long highway will connect Ljubljana, Novo Mesto, Brezice, Zagreb, Belgrade, and Bela Crkva on the Yugoslav-Rumanian border. A 100-kilometer highway will connect Nis via Dimi'rov-grad with the Yugoslav-Bulgarian border. Another highway will connect Rijeka via Zagreb with the Hungarian border. A modern road between Zagreb, Samobor, and the Croatian-Slovenian border has been completed. The Zagreb-Rijeka highway has been completed as far as Karlovac. An asphalt road connects Zagreb and Varazdin. A highway already exists between Ljubljana and Bled, as well as between Belgrade and Topola.

1951 PIAN CALLS FOR ROAD REPAIR -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 4 Apr 51

According to the 1951 plan, the "Slovenija-Ceste" (Slovenian Roads) Enterprise will build only 2 kilometers of new roads this year, on Vrhnika Knoll toward Logatec. All other road work will consist of improving old roads. The repair of the 2-kilometer Levec-Celje road has begun already. The surface of the 5-kilometer St Peter-Vransko road in the Savinja Valley and the 7-kilometer Pesnica-Sv. Lenart road will be renewed.

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Nine new bridges will be built in Slovenia this year. A new concrete bridge was begun over Tezka Voda Creck in Gotna Vas near Novo Mesto. The construction of another bridge over the Dravinja River near Konjice has begun. Additional bridges will include: a bridge over the Pesnica River in Gorisnica, over the Idrijca River in Tribusa, over the Belca River in Mojstrana, over the Secnica River in Bukovska Vas near Dravograd, over the Soca River in Kozje and in Plave, and over the Sava River near Smlednik. There is only a temporary surface over the bridge in Plave, but a new surface will be laid some time in the near future. Concrete piers will be erected near the present Smlednik bridge, and the old bridge will be mounted on the new piers. This will be done because of the new power plant at Medvode.

TO RECONSTRUCT ROADS IN BANJALUKA -- Sarajevo, Oslobodjenje, 19 Mar 51

According to the new transportation plan for Banjaluka, the Banjaluka-Okucane road will remain unchanged. The Banjaluka-Jajce road, which now runs along the right bank of the Vrbas River between Gornji Seher and Karanovac, will follow the left bank in this sector, because a railroad will run along the right bank of the river. However, the old road on the right bank will remain unchanged. The Banjaluka-Prijedor road will be reconstructed because of the steep incline at Sargovac, and will pass through the bragocaj Valley. The Banjaluka-Kljuc road will be repaired and reconstructed. A side road will be built from the Banjaluka-Slatina road to Okucane.

The Banjaluka-Dobrljin railroad line is a handicap to the development of Banjaluka, as it crosses many streets in the city. The new plan calls for demolishing the line and the Banjaluka railroad station and building a new railroad station at Banjalucko Polje.

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TO BUILD NEW BRIDGE -- Ljubljana, Slovenski Porocevalec, 5 Mar 51

A road bridge will be built soon over the Sava River in Kresnice. Thus far no bridge has existed over the Sava River between Sv. Jakob and Litija, a distance of 30 kilometers.

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